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# STRUCTURE & BONDING

FOR LEVEL TWO CHEMISTRY

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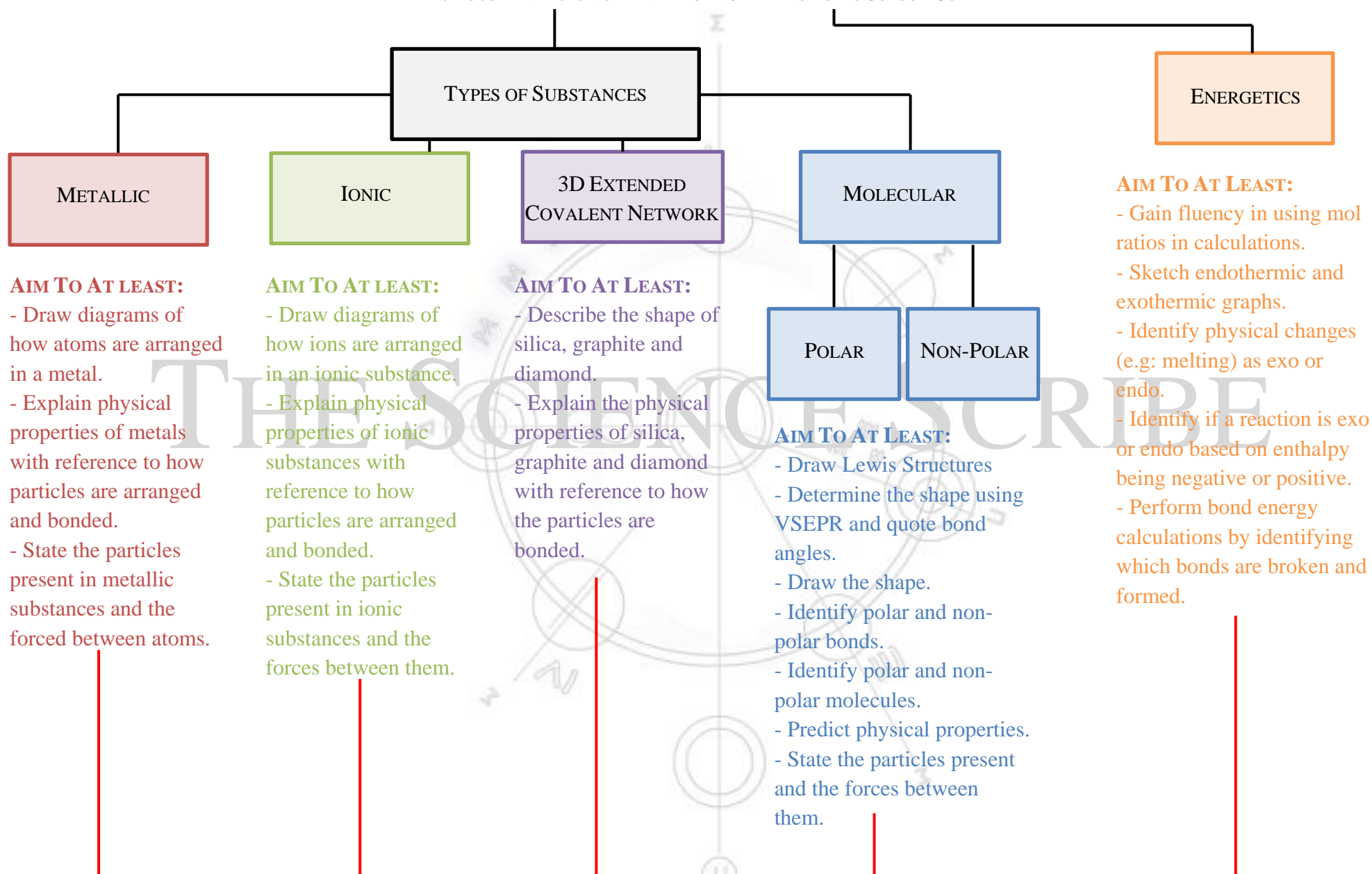
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**STRUCTURE & BONDING OVERVIEW:**

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**MASTERY:** Be able to be given any two different types of substances and compare and contrast their physical properties in depth with the aid of accurate diagrams (of lewis structures, metals, etc).

**MASTERY:** Performs calculations quickly and accurately with appropriate rounding.

# METALLIC

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

### DESCRIPTION OF STRUCTURE:

Made up of atoms in a sea of electrons.  
Electrons are delocalised (free to move around).

Therefore, metals are good conductors of heat and electricity.  
*Electrical conductivity requires free electrons or ions.*

### TYPE OF BONDING: METALLIC

These are relatively strong and will require a fairly large amount of heat energy to overcome.

Therefore, metals tend to have a fairly high melting and boiling point.

Metallic bonds do not break in contact with water.

Therefore, metals will not dissolve in water.

When a force is applied, the metal bonds are not broken but are redistributed.

Therefore, metals are malleable (can be shaped/bent) and ductile (can be pulled into a wire).

### HOW TO SPOT A METAL

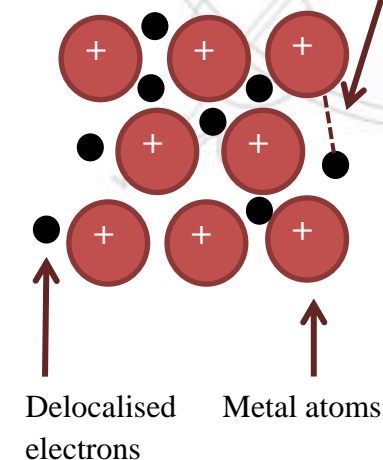
Metals are everything on the **left** of the *stairs* in the Periodic Table.

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

Atomic number		Molar mass / g mol <sup>-1</sup>	
1	H	1.0	
2	He	4.0	
3	Li	6.9	
4	Be	9.0	
11	Na	23.0	
12	Mg	24.3	
19	K	39.1	
20	Ca	40.1	
21	Sc	44.9	
22	Ti	47.9	
23	V	50.9	
24	Cr	52.0	
25	Mn	54.9	
26	Fe	55.9	
27	Co	58.9	
28	Ni	58.7	
29	Cu	63.5	
30	Zn	65.4	
31	Ga	69.7	
32	Ge	72.6	
33	As	74.9	
34	Se	78.9	
35	Br	79.9	
36	Kr	83.8	
37	Rb	85.5	
38	Sr	87.6	
39	Y	88.9	
40	Zr	91.2	
41	Nb	92.9	
42	Mo	95.9	
43	Tc	98.9	
44	Ru	101	
45	Rh	103	
46	Pd	106	
47	Ag	108	
48	Cd	112	
49	In	115	
50	Sn	119	
51	Sb	122	
52	Te	127	
53	I	127	
54	Xe	131	
55	Cs	133	
56	Ba	137	
57	La	139	
58	Ce	140	
59	Pr	141	
60	Nd	144	
61	Pm	147	
62	Sm	150	
63	Eu	152	
64	Gd	157	
65	Tb	159	
66	Dy	163	
67	Ho	165	
68	Er	167	
69	Tm	169	
70	Yb	173	
71	Lu	175	
72	Hf	178	
73	Ta	181	
74	W	184	
75	Re	186	
76	Os	190	
77	Ir	192	
78	Pt	195	
79	Au	197	
80	Hg	200	
81	Tl	204	
82	Pb	207	
83	Bi	209	
84	Po	210	
85	At	210	
86	Rn	222	
87	Fr	223	
88	Ra	226	
89	Ac	227	
90	Th	232	
91	Pa	231	
92	U	238	
93	Np	237	
94	Pu	239	
95	Am	241	
96	Cm	244	
97	Bk	247	
98	Cf	251	
99	Es	252	
100	Fm	257	
101	Md	258	
102	No	259	

### DIAGRAM

Metallic bonds between electrons and atoms



# WRITING FRAMES

### ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY (EXAMPLE WITH Mg)

For something to conduct electricity, it must have delocalised electrons or mobile ions. **Mg** is a metal. In **Mg**, the atoms are held together by strong metallic bonds in a sea of delocalised electrons. Therefore, **Mg** can conduct electricity.

### HIGH MELTING POINTS (EXAMPLE WITH Cu)

**Cu** is a metal. In **Cu** metal, the atoms are held together by strong metallic bonds in a sea of delocalised electrons. A lot of heat energy is required to break the metallic bonds to separate the **Cu** atoms. Therefore, **Cu** has a high melting point.

### SOLUBILITY IN WATER (EXAMPLE WITH Zn)

**Zn** is a metal. In **Zn** metal, the atoms are held together by strong metallic bonds in a sea of delocalised electrons. The metallic bonds do not break in contact with water. Therefore, **Zn** does not dissolve in water.

### DUCTILE, MALLEABLE (EXAMPLE WITH Pb)

**Pb** is a metal. In **Pb** metal, the atoms are held together by strong metallic bonds in a sea of delocalised electrons. When a force is applied to a metal, the metallic bonds are not broken but are redistributed. Therefore, **Pb** is malleable (can be shaped) and ductile (can be drawn into wires).

### WRITING FRAME KEY POINTS

All the writing frames above cover the following points:

- States that the example is a metal.
- States that the type of particle which metals is made of are called atoms.
- States how the atoms are arranged.
- States the type of bonding between particles (metallic bonding)
- Relates the structure to its property.
- Finishes the paragraph with a concise summary.

Highly recommended: including a diagram (see left).

# IONIC

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

### DESCRIPTION OF STRUCTURE:

As a solid, cations (+) and anions (-) held rigidly in place by strong ionic bonds in a 3D crystal lattice.

Therefore, ionic solids do not conduct electricity. *Electrical conductivity requires free electrons or ions.*

### TYPE OF BONDING: IONIC

These are very strong and will require a large amount of heat energy to overcome. Ions are mobile when liquid.

Therefore, ions have a very high melting and boiling point. When molten, liquid, ionic substances can conduct electricity.

Ionic bonds are overcome by  $\delta^+$  to anion **and**  $\delta^-$  to cation attraction between water and ionic solids. The ions are then mobile.

Therefore, ions are soluble (will dissolve) in water. Dissolved ionic substances will conduct electricity.

When a force is applied, the cations align with other cations **and** anions align with each other giving a repulsion.

Therefore, ionic solids will **shatter** under enough force.

### HOW TO SPOT AN IONIC SUBSTANCE

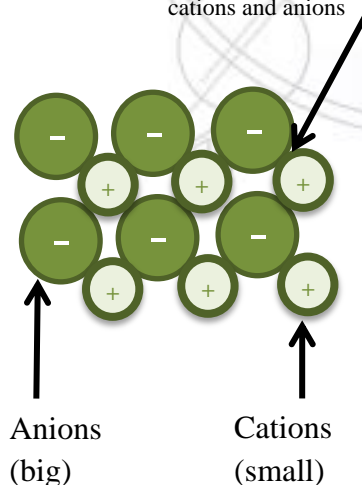
1) Something on the **left** of the *stairs* with something on the **right**.

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

2) A cation with any anion from The Table of Ions (Year 11 Science, not given in Year 12)

### DIAGRAM

Ionic bonds between cations and anions



# WRITING FRAMES

### ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY (EXAMPLE WITH SOLID $\text{MgCl}_2$ )

For something to conduct electricity, it must have delocalised electrons or mobile ions.  $\text{MgCl}_2$  is an ionic solid. In  $\text{MgCl}_2$ , the cations and anions are held rigidly in place by very strong ionic bonds in a 3D crystal lattice. There are no mobile electrons, or ions, therefore  $\text{MgCl}_2$  does not conduct electricity in the solid state.

### HIGH MELTING POINTS (EXAMPLE WITH SOLID $\text{CuSO}_4$ )

$\text{CuSO}_4$  is an ionic substance. In solid  $\text{CuSO}_4$ , the cations and anions are held rigidly in place by very strong ionic bonds in a 3D crystal lattice. A lot of heat energy is required to break the ionic bonds to separate the  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  ions. Therefore,  $\text{CuSO}_4$  has a high melting point.

### SOLUBILITY IN WATER (EXAMPLE WITH $\text{ZnCl}_2$ )

$\text{ZnCl}_2$  is an ionic substance. In  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  the cations and anions are held rigidly in place by very strong ionic bonds in a 3D crystal lattice. The ionic bonds are overcome by  $\delta^+$  to anion and  $\delta^-$  to cation attraction between water and ionic solids. The ions are then mobile. Therefore,  $\text{ZnCl}_2$  dissolves in water.



### WRITING FRAME KEY POINTS

All the writing frames above cover the following points:

- States that the example is an ionic substance.
- States that the type of particle which metals is made of are called ions (cations/anions).
- States how the ions are arranged.
- States the type of bonding between ions (ionic bonding, avoid **electrostatic**)
- Relates the structure to its property.
- Finishes the paragraph with a concise summary.

Recommend including: a diagram (example on left).

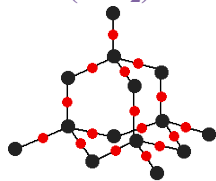
## 3D EXTENDED COVALENT SOLID

### HOW TO SPOT A 3D EXT. COVALENT

You are limited to three. Silica ( $\text{SiO}_2$ ), Graphite (C) and Diamond (C).

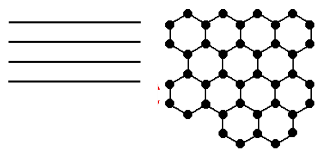
Allotropes are the different forms an element can take. Diamond and graphite are allotropes of carbon.

#### SILICA ( $\text{SiO}_2$ )



**STRUCTURE:** Si covalently bonded to a total of four O in a tetrahedron. Each O is covalently bonded to two Si in total. Made only of Si and O

#### GRAPHITE (C)



**STRUCTURE:** Each C is covalently bonded to 3 other carbons in a trigonal planar geometry to form layers and supplies 1 free electron. Weak intermolecular bonds between layers. Made of C.

#### DIAMOND (C)



**STRUCTURE:** Each C is covalently bonded to 4 other carbons in a tetrahedron. Made only of C.

**MELTING POINTS:** Covalent bonds are also called intramolecular forces. Intramolecular forces are **very strong** and will require a lot of **heat energy** to overcome. This means 3D extended covalent network solids have high melting points.

**HARDNESS:** The **intramolecular** forces also need a lot of force to break them. This makes them hard. However, graphite has weak **intermolecular** forces between layers which needs very little force to overcome. Therefore, layers in graphite can slide.

**ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY:** There are no mobile electrons or ions present. The exception is graphite, where each carbon can supply one free electron that is mobile. Therefore, graphite can conduct electricity.

**SOLUBILITY:** Intramolecular forces are very strong and do not break in solvents such as water. Therefore, extended covalent network solids do not dissolve.

## WRITING FRAMES

### ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY (EXAMPLE WITH GRAPHITE)

For something to conduct electricity, it must have delocalised electrons or mobile ions. **Graphite** is a 3D extended covalent network solid made of **carbon**. In **graphite**, Each C is covalently bonded to 3 other carbons in a trigonal planar geometry to form layers and supplies 1 delocalised electron. Therefore, **graphite** can conduct electricity.

### ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY (EXAMPLE WITH SILICA)

For something to conduct electricity, it must have delocalised electrons or mobile ions. **Silica** is a 3D extended covalent network solid made of **silicon and oxygen**. In **silica**, Each Si atom is covalently bonded to a total of four O atoms in a tetrahedron. Each O is also covalently bonded to two Si in total. There are no free electrons. Therefore, **silica** cannot conduct electricity.

### HIGH MELTING POINTS (EXAMPLE WITH DIAMOND)

**Diamond** is a 3D extended covalent network solid made of **carbon** atoms. In **diamond**, each C is covalently bonded to 4 other carbons in a tetrahedron. A lot of heat energy is required to break the covalent bonds (intramolecular bonds) to separate the **C** atoms. Therefore, **diamond** has a high melting point.

### HARDNESS (EXAMPLE WITH DIAMOND)

**Diamond** is a 3D extended covalent network solid made of **carbon** atoms. In **diamond**, each C is covalently bonded to 4 other carbons in a tetrahedron. A lot of force is required to break the covalent bonds (intramolecular bonds) to separate the **C** atoms. Therefore, **diamond** is very hard.

### WRITING FRAME KEY POINTS

All the writing frames above cover the following points:

- States that the example is a 3D extended covalent network solid.
- States that the solid is made of atoms, and the types of atoms.
- States how the atoms are arranged (e.g: tetrahedral, what they bond to, layers).
- States the type of bonding between particles (covalent, intramolecular – say both. Intermolecular for layers.)
- Relates the structure to its property.
- Finishes the paragraph with a concise summary.

# MOLECULAR I

## DESCRIPTION OF STRUCTURE:

Made up of molecules (could be polar or non-polar). No free ions or electrons present.

## TYPE OF BONDING: INTERMOLECULAR FORCES

These are **very** weak and only require little heat energy to overcome.

**Polar molecules** dissolve in **polar** substances because they are attracted to each other. This *leaves behind* non-polar molecules, which are not attracted to anything.

**Non-polar** molecules can form instantaneous dipoles, allowing them to be very slightly soluble in polar solvents.

## SPOT A MOLECULAR SPECIES

Made of atoms on the **right** of the stairs, and/or hydrogen.

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

**OR** learn the other 3 substances really well, and treat these as “everything else”.

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Therefore, molecular substances do not conduct electricity.  
*Electrical conductivity requires free electrons or ions.*

Therefore, molecular substances have very low melting and boiling points.

**Like dissolves like.**  
Polar dissolves in polar.  
Non-polar dissolves in non-polar.  
Polar and non-polar do not

Non-polar molecules are only very slightly soluble in polar solvents.

## DIAGRAM

This involves drawing Lewis Structures and using VSEPR to determine the shapes.  
Sorry, there is no shortcut here.

As an incentive, there has always been a question about Lewis Structures/ Shapes/ Bond Angles. It's not a case of “it might be asked”, because it **definitely will be**.

## HOW TO: DRAW LEWIS STRUCTURES (excl. SO<sub>3</sub> at Level II)

Show all lone pairs.

**STEP 1:** Draw dot-diagrams of each atom involved, showing only the valence electrons.

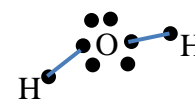
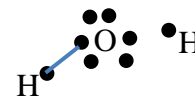
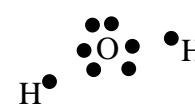
**STEP 2:** connect one dot from the central atom to a dot from one of the other atoms.

**STEP 3:** Make sure all the 'other atoms' have been joined to the central atom at least once.

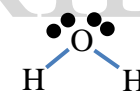
**STEP 4:** Pair up as many electrons as you can from the central atom to the other atoms.

**STEP 5:** Draw your Lewis Structure Diagram

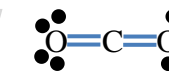
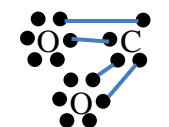
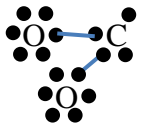
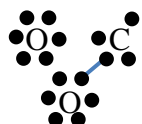
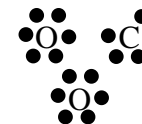
H<sub>2</sub>O



Done. H has hit its maximum of 2 electrons.



CO<sub>2</sub>



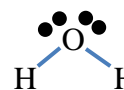
## HOW TO: DETERMINE THE SHAPE OF A MOLECULE

Learn Lewis Structures first.

**STEP 1:** Count the regions of electron density around the central atom. Single, double and triple lines (bonds) count as **one** region. Every **lone pair** counts as **one region**.

**STEP 2:** Use the table on the next page to determine the shape. Note, the table is not given in assessments. Learn it.

H<sub>2</sub>O

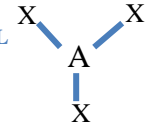
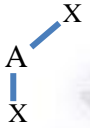
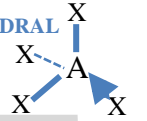
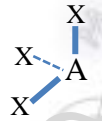



There are 2 lone pairs.  
There are 2 bonding pairs.  
In total, there are 4 regions.

Water is bent/v-shape with bond angles of about 104.5°

# MOLECULAR II

## SHAPES OF MOLECULES:

Regions	0 Lone Pairs	1 Lone Pairs	2 Lone Pairs
2	X — A — X LINEAR 180°	When looking for regions, we only care about the <b>central atom</b> . Lone pairs, single, double and triple bonds count as <b>one region</b>	
3	TRIGONAL PLANAR 120° 	BENT JUST UNDER 120° 	
4	TETRAHEDRAL 109.5° 	TRIGONAL PYRAMID ~107° 	BENT ~104.5° 

The **parent shape** is the shape listed in the “0 lone pairs” column. As we move across a row, we are simply swapping out bonds for lone pairs. Note that we **do not** show lone pairs **OR multiple bonds** when we draw shapes.

## VSEPR THEORY:

Regions of electron density repel each other. Regions occupied by lone pairs have the greater repulsion compared to bonding pairs.

## POLARITY OF MOLECULES:

**Polar Molecules:** have polar bonds. The vector dipoles do not cancel and the molecule is asymmetric.

**No-polar Molecules:** have non-polar bonds. **OR** has polar bonds, but the dipoles cancel and the molecule is symmetric.

**Note:** to determine if dipoles cancel out, use the tug-of-war red-ribbon analogy. Central atom = red ribbon, bond = rope, atoms = people pulling. If the ribbon moves, the dipoles do not cancel.

*Polar bonds* will always be present if two atoms in a bond are different. This is because different atoms have different electronegativity.

Electronegativity is the ability to pull on covalently bonded electrons. Atoms higher up, and to the right, on the Periodic Table have higher electronegativity and are marked by  $\delta^-$ . Lower and to the left atoms are given  $\delta^+$ .

# WRITING FRAMES

## SHAPES OF MOLECULES (EXAMPLE WITH NH<sub>3</sub>)

NH<sub>3</sub> has **4** regions of electron density, giving it a parent shape of **tetrahedral** with bond angles of **109.5°**. However, **3** of these regions are occupied by bonding pairs of electrons (**N-H**) and **one** is occupied by a lone pair of electrons. This gives it a **trigonal pyramid** shape, and since the lone pair exerts more repulsion than the bonding pairs (VSEPR) there is a bond angle of about **107°** to achieve maximum separation and minimum repulsion.

## POLAR MOLECULES (EXAMPLE WITH CH<sub>3</sub>Cl)

A polar molecule has polar bonds and the vector dipoles in the molecule do not cancel. The molecule is asymmetric. CH<sub>3</sub>Cl contains **3 polar C-H bonds and one polar C-Cl bond**. These are arranged in a **tetrahedral** geometry about a central **C** atom. The vector dipoles do not cancel out and the molecule is asymmetric, making the overall molecule polar.

## NON-POLAR MOLECULES (EXAMPLE WITH BF<sub>3</sub>)

A non-polar molecule has no polar bonds, OR it has polar bonds but the vector dipoles cancel out and the molecule is symmetric. BF<sub>3</sub> contains **3 polar B-F bonds**. These are arranged in a **trigonal planar** geometry about a central **B** atom. The vector dipoles cancel out and the molecule is symmetric, making the overall molecular non-polar.

## MELTING POINTS (EXAMPLE WITH I<sub>2</sub>)

I<sub>2</sub> is a discrete molecular substance with very strong intramolecular forces between **I** atoms. However, very weak intermolecular forces exist between **I<sub>2</sub>** molecules. The intermolecular forces require very little heat energy to break, therefore **I<sub>2</sub>** has a low melting point.

## SOLUBILITY IN WATER & CYCLOHEXANE (EXAMPLE WITH I<sub>2</sub>)

I<sub>2</sub> is non-polar molecule, therefore we expect it to dissolve in non-polar solvents such as **cyclohexane**. We do not expect **I<sub>2</sub>** to dissolve in **water** because water is polar. However, **I<sub>2</sub>** is actually very slightly soluble in **water** because **I<sub>2</sub>** has the ability to form instantaneous dipole attractions.

## WRITING FRAME KEY POINTS

In all cases above, the inclusion of diagrams is highly recommended.

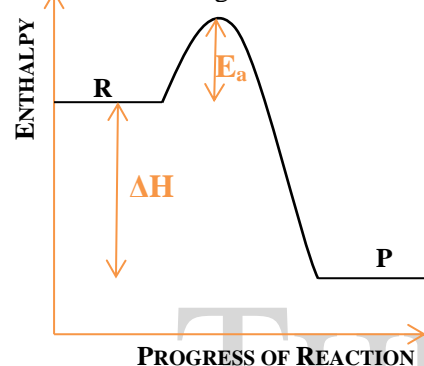
# ENERGETICS I

## EXOTHERMIC

Releases energy. Feels hot.

$\Delta H$  (enthalpy) is negative.

Note: **Bond Making = exo. "BMX"**

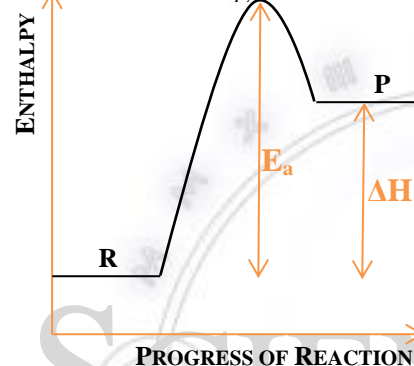


## ENDOTHERMIC

Absorbs energy. Feels cold.

$\Delta H$  (enthalpy) is positive.

Note: **bond breaking = endo.**



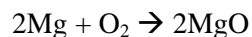
**R:** reactants    **P:** products     **$\Delta H$ :** enthalpy     **$E_a$ :** activation energy  
Activation energy is sometimes called the *energy barrier*. Note that you may be asked to sketch the shape of energy curves like above.

## ENTHALPY

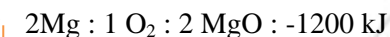
is a number in the units of  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ . This is read aloud as "kilojoules per mole", or "**kilojoules for one mole**"

Understanding this is **essential** to working with mole ratios. You are highly likely to be asked to perform calculations using ratios.

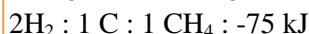
## EXAMPLES



$$\Delta H = -1200 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$



$$\Delta H = -75 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$



## RATIOS

# CALCULATING ENTHALPY

## METHOD ONE: " $\Delta H = P - R$ "

Take the energy of the products and minus the energy of the reactants. This is pretty much what is shown on the graphs above.

*e.g.*: the energy of the reactants is  $700 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . The energy of the products is  $200 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ . Therefore,  $\Delta H = -500 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$ .

## METHOD TWO: " $\Delta H = \text{SUM ALL BONDS BROKEN} - \text{SUM ALL BONDS FORMED}$ "

Bond energy calculations can be spotted by the list of data given.

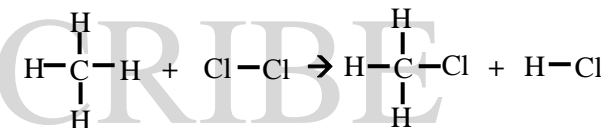
**E.g. Calculate  $\Delta H$  for:**  $\text{CH}_4 + \text{Cl}_2 \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{Cl} + \text{HCl}$

You may use the following data:

C-H:  $99 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$     H-Cl:  $103 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

C-Cl:  $81 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$     Cl-Cl:  $58 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

**STEP ONE:** draw the reaction out as a diagram.



**STEP TWO:** Decide which bonds are broken and formed.

**BROKEN:**

1x C-H

1x Cl-Cl

**FORMED:**

1x C-Cl

1x H-Cl

**Tip:** imagine you made models of  $\text{CH}_4$  and  $\text{Cl}_2$ , then only using those two models had to make  $\text{CH}_3\text{Cl}$  and  $\text{HCl}$ .

**STEP THREE:** Apply and use the formula.  
*3s.f. recommended.*

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta H &= \text{Bonds Broken} - \text{Bonds Formed} \\ &= [(\text{C-H}) + (\text{Cl-Cl})] - [(\text{C-Cl}) + (\text{H-Cl})] \\ &= [(99) + (58)] - [(81) + (103)] \\ &= [157] - [184] \\ &= -27.0 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

**NOTES:** \* Try bond energy calculations from



# ENERGETICS II

## METHOD THREE: “Ratios” – FIND MASS OR MOL NEEDED TO RELEASE/ABSORB X AMOUNT OF ENERGY.

**STEP ONE:** write the ratio against energy.  
Remove negative sign.  
Call this **known**.

**STEP TWO:** the energy needed or wanted is the **unknown**.

**STEP THREE:** multiply by “**unknown over known**”.

E.g:  $2\text{Mg} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{MgO}$        $\Delta H = -1200 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$   
Calculate the mass of Mg needed to release **300 kJ** of energy.  $M(\text{Mg}) = 24.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$

$2\text{Mg} : 1200 \text{ kJ}$  simplifies to...  $1 \text{ Mg} : 600 \text{ kJ}$   
(known)

**unknown = 300 kJ.**

$1 \text{ Mg} \times (\text{unknown/known}) = 1 \times (300/600)$   
 $= 0.5 \text{ mol of Mg.}$   
 $m(\text{Mg}) = n \times M = 0.5 \times 24 = 12.0\text{g}$  3sf

**TIP: “what’s given is known”** - the question gives you a number in **kJ**. Therefore your known is the number in the ratio that has the units given in **kJ**.

Check if the question wanted the final answer in mass (g) or mol.

## METHOD THREE: “Ratios” – FIND ENERGY RELEASED WHEN X MOL/GRAMS IS USED.

**STEP ONE:** write the ratio against energy.  
Remove negative sign.  
Call this **known**.

**STEP TWO:** convert any other values to mol. Call this **unknown**.

**STEP THREE:** multiply by “**unknown over known**”.

E.g:  $2\text{Mg} + \text{O}_2 \rightarrow 2\text{MgO}$        $\Delta H = -1200 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$   
Calculate the energy released when **12g of Mg** is used.  
 $M(\text{Mg}) = 24.0 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$

$2\text{Mg} : 1200 \text{ kJ}$  simplifies to...  $1 \text{ Mg} : 600 \text{ kJ}$   
(known)

12g of Mg in mol:  $n = m / M$   
 $n(\text{Mg}) = 12\text{g}/24.0\text{g mol}^{-1} = 0.5 \text{ mol (unknown)}$

$600 \text{ kJ} \times (\text{unknown/known}) = 600 \text{ kJ} \times (0.5/1)$   
 $= 300 \text{ kJ released}$

**TIP: “what’s given is known”** – the question gives you a number in **mol** (if it’s in gram, convert it to mol quickly). Therefore your **known** is the number in the ratio given in **mol**.

Write *released* if original enthalpy was negative. 3sf recommended.

# NOTES: